

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Richard HERTZOG et al.

Application No: 08/601,879

Filed: February 15, 1996

For: DECOMPOSITION OF CUMENE OXIDATION PRODUCT



Group Art Unit: 1205

Examiner: J. Reamer

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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The Examiner's Answer, mailed December 22, 1997, a new point is raised concerning the statement of RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES in the Appeal Brief.

In particular, the Examiner's Answer states that the brief does not include a statement identifying related appeals and interferences. However, the Appeal Brief did include such a statement.

In supplement to this earlier statement, appellants note for the record that an appeal has now been filed in Serial No. 08/813,050, which is a continuation of the present application.

The claims on appeal in Serial No. 08/813,050 are similar to claims on appeal (Appeal No. 91-0763) in parent application Serial No. 07/297,333. Distinctions between issues on appeal in Serial No. 08/813,050 and issues on appeal in Appeal No. 91-0763 will be pointed out in an Appeal Brief to be filed in Serial No. 08/813,050. The claims presently on appeal define different

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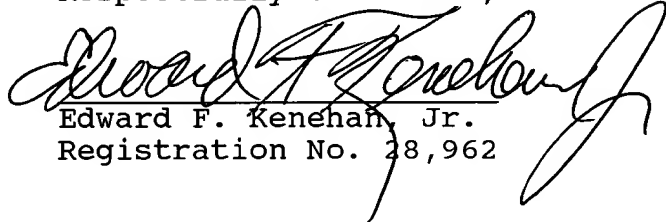
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subject matter than the claims involved in either Appeal No. 91-0763 or the appeal in Serial No. 08/813,050.

The Examiner's Answer would not appear to raise any other new points of argument.

Respectfully submitted,



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